

Should the Examiner not rejoin the claims at this time, Applicants respectfully request that when a Notice of Allowance is ready to issue for the compound claims, that the claims directed to the method of using those compounds be rejoined with the compound claims as is consistent with the holding in *In re Ochiai*, 37 USPQ2d 1127 (Fed. Cir. 1995).

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact T. Benjamin Schroeder (Reg. No. 50,990) at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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